

SUDBURY HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Tuesday, 22 October 2013

Those Present: Barbara Bahlkow, Diana Cebra, Jim Hill, Bill Johnson, Lyn MacLean, Liz Radoski. Absent: Fred Bautze

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 PM by the Chairman. The minutes of 24 September were accepted as typed. The Treasurer gave the financial overview stating that all deposits and bills have been submitted to date.

Events:

Barbara gave a rundown of the successful selling that occurred at the Minuteman Fair on 28 September at the Wayside Inn. It was a unanimous decision to continue this tradition next year and a list of items and pricing were put in the file.

Holiday Open House: Ten rooms have been assigned to decorators and local clubs. The invitations are being prepared and Liz is working on the entertainment with music for both weekends. Nathan Burke will be asked to help get the trees out of the cellar and put up in each room. Boxes also need to be also brought up by the 11<sup>th</sup> of November. Bill will put the lights in the windows. The Historical Society has donated items to be sold and the Villagers will donate jewelry.

Rentals: December 9<sup>th</sup> – Town employee luncheon 10:30 to 2:30 – Lyn, Liz, Barbara  
December 9<sup>th</sup> – Rebecca Circle 7 – 9:30 PM. – Lyn  
June 14, 2014 - Thursday Garden Club Tea – 12 – 6 PM – Diana

Funding: The Wayside and Town Hall have sold many cup plates. Barbara is keeping a complete record of inventory and sales.

Massachusetts Preservation Conference:

The SHC members attending stated that it wasn't what they expected. The demolition by-law information was what they already knew but expected to find out how to sell a property within the six month timeframe in order to save it. The category Landscaping was misleading as the expectation was to learn about plantings of the time to be put around buildings. This was not covered. Most recommendations were to hire professionals. We here in Sudbury want to save money and do many of the projects ourselves. The positive part of the event was meeting people from other towns with similar interests and problems. The luncheon gave us time to chat with members from all over the state. Also the literature and books recommended was very helpful.

CPC Projects:

Jim will be writing up the scope of work for the bid proposals for the mist Fire Suppression System this week. The plan is to have the system in the Hosmer House by spring.

Back door: It is on order. It will take four or five weeks before it can be installed.  
Animal Pound: The contractor moved the date to stain the boards up to 28 October.  
Gazebo at Wadsworth: The contractor is presently installing the new roof.  
Hosmer House Painting: The Commission is very pleased with the whole project.  
Cemeteries: All cemeteries now have signage with the names and dates on each plus Haynes Garrison Site and the Old Training Field. Liz will proceed with getting pricing for five graves at the Revolutionary Cemetery. Some of the funds to be used to improve the stonewall.

#### CPC Application for Next Year:

Liz and Lyn completed North and Wadsworth Cemeteries and found over 150 gravestones to be repaired. As soon as the maps are received from restoration they will complete Mt. Pleasant, Old Town and New Town. All the documentation was given to Jim to take to CPC to apply for funding. Also Lyn will ask our carpenter his suggestions for flame proofing the art room to be part of this funding.

Oil Painting: Aargon Art completed the restoration of the Whiting Hall Girl names Janice Hart which is oil on canvise 26 x 20 #381 with Florence Hosmer's initials in the upper right.

A plaque was put on the large frame stating restoration was made possible by donations of "The Villagers".

#### Miscellaneous Items:

Lyn will contact the Northern Landscaping to put stone and edging in front of Hosmer House to protect it from the roof rain runoff.

Liz trimmed the bushes out front of HH but Bill will need to finish what she couldn't reach.

Bill has contacted the Boy Scout, Vic Gopal to take pictures of the benches and painting he and his troop did on the Gazebo at Wadsworth Cemetery so an article can be put in the newspaper.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 19 November 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lyn MacLean, Chairman

CC: Town Manager, Jody Kablack, Elaine Jones, Bill Place, Mark Thompson, Jim Kelly, Art Richard, Mark Herweck, Scott Taylor, Jim Hodder